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The Director advised of a call he received from
Walt Rostow asking about briefings of the CIA Subcommittees prior to 3 August 1964 (with a C
1964 (when Secretary of Defense McNamara briefed the Senate Foreign Relati
Committee) on The Director instructed that we review our
files and have Mr. Maury advise Rostow of our findings. We are working on this.
tills.
Mr. Morris Amitay, Special Assistant to Senator Abraham Ribicoff (D., Conn.), called and requested a copy of the report which Senator Mansfield referred to in a Flora Lewis column which was allegedly prepared by CIA on foreign drug traffic. I explained the facts concerning this report which was published by the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs to Amitay and referred him to the reports placed in the Congressional Record by Representative Gubser (page E 5305 of 2 June 1971) and by Senator Javits (page S 8686 of 9 June 1971). Mr. Amitay thanked me for these references.
13. In the absence of the Director, I covered

a call from Representative George Mahon to him. Mr. Mahon said he would like someone in CIA to prepare, on four or five typewritten pages, the most understandable history of the Southeast Asia situation that we could come up with. He said he wanted nothing classified, and wants no reference made to CIA activities, but he outlined the chronological steps which he wished covered in this paper including: French presence in Indochina, the difficulty encountered Dien Bien Phu, the French withdrawal, the date of the first U.S. involvement in Southeast asia, the provision of military supplies and equipment and the extent of this assistance, the extent of our help to the French, and the date which MAAG was established. I told the Chairman I thought George Carver was the best person to do this for him and reminded him of the articles which Carver had written for Foreign Affairs magazine on the subject. Mr. Mahon recalled this and said he would like to have copies of these articles again in addition to the original piece which he requested. He said he wanted to show this has been a long, drawn out, and expensive program which began not in 1964 but in the late 1940s. He said he would like this in the next week to ten days and I assured him we would have it within that time period. Mr. Carver is working on this.

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